

I am writing to ensure that the viewpoint held by so many people can be underscored one more time for the record. Low power FM radion (LPFM) is integral to the fabric of a community. As every town or city in the US is made up of so many different people with so many different veiws, it seems reasonable to assume that these people will be given the opportunity to express those views in a public forum. FM radio is such a forum. Please consider the value that small community based organization (schools, churches, community centers and the like) place on the ability to broadcast thier news and thier opinions over the airwaves. Allowing repeaters of large, syndicated stations to overlap on the small number of airwaves given to LPFM stations would be detrimental to those stations, and to localized news broadcasting. Here in the Seattle area we have an excellent community run station called KBCS, which provides more relevent news to my life than even our local NPR station.

Thank you for your consideration.